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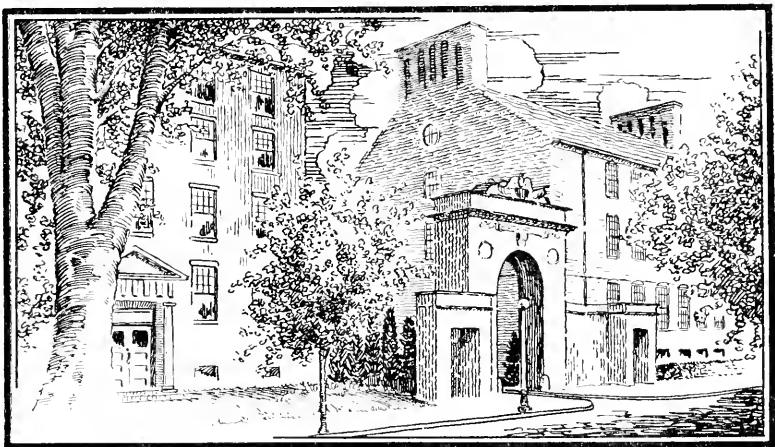
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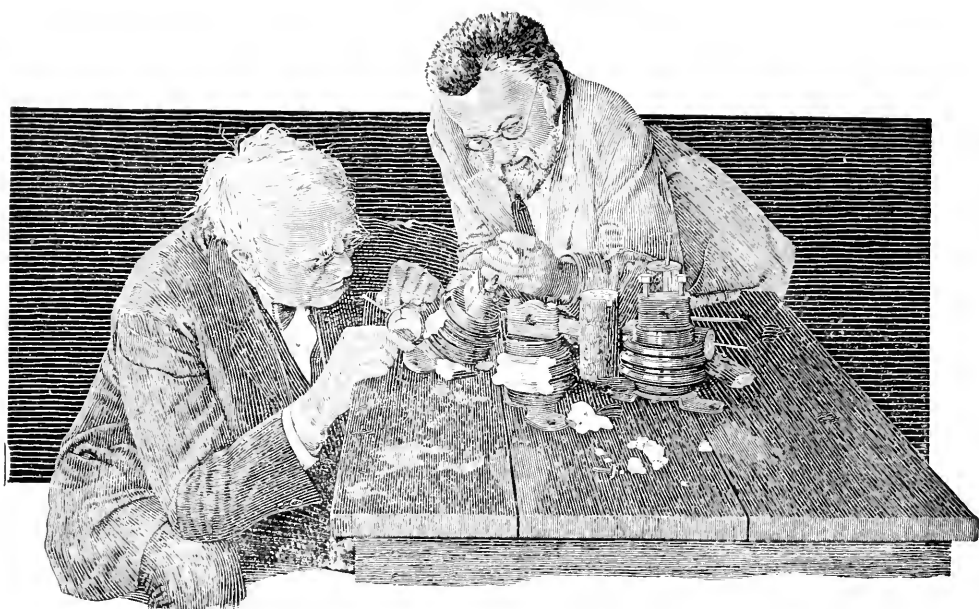


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## The Total Solar Eclipse of January 24, 1925

*By Professor Clinton H. Currier*

AN OBSERVER who wishes to shut off the rays of light from any source must either turn out the light or place a screen between himself and the light. Of course it is impossible to "turn out" the sun, nor would anyone wish to do so, for we are dependent upon its light and heat for our very existence. Were its rays shut off for any length of time we would all perish from cold.

To screen off the sunlight is of course comparatively easy. At the time of a total solar eclipse the moon acts as the screen.

Why is such an eclipse considered a great event? Surely, here in New England at least, the clouds hide the sun frequently enough, while every night the earth acts as a screen for a period of time varying with the season of the year. The important point is that the sun has a beautiful appendage, the pearly white corona, so faint as never to be visible except when the bright central portion of the sun is covered up. If we are to see the corona, our screen must be opaque, circular in shape, in the right direction, and large enough to cover the central solar disk without hiding the surrounding corona. It is indeed remarkable that the moon even occasionally meets all these requirements.

Of course the moon is always opaque and circular in shape. At least twice a year but never more than five times in a year, its direction is such as to hide at least a portion of the sun from observers on some part of the earth. In perhaps 25 per cent. of these cases the eclipse is not total any-

where. Even when the moon is centrally placed with reference to the observer and the sun, the eclipse is not always total. As the moon is moving in an elliptical orbit around the earth, its distance from us varies. As its size remains constant, its screening effect decreases with increasing distance. Its average distance from us is 238,800 miles, but may vary some 15,000 miles either way. At this average distance the moon is not quite large enough to cover the central disk of the sun, and an annular eclipse, not a total one, results. A ring or annulus of light appears around the edge of the moon and the corona is not visible. Only two out of five central eclipses are total, the others being annular.

In the period from 1207 B. C. to 2161 A. D., 8000 solar eclipses have occurred or are scheduled to occur in the future. Of these about 2550 have been or will be total somewhere on the earth, an average of about three total eclipses every four years.

Of course our screen is in motion, the moon moving east at the rate of 2100 miles an hour. We get a total eclipse only when and where the moon's shadow sweeps over the earth. This shadow varies in width up to a maximum of 167 miles. For a distance of two to three thousand miles north and south of the shadow track the eclipse is partial only. As the shadow moves so rapidly, the duration of totality at any one place is never more than 7 minutes, 58 seconds and does not average more than three minutes.

Considering the infrequency of total



eclipses and the narrowness of the path of totality, it is evident that an observer who stays at home cannot hope to see the solar corona very often. Were the eclipse paths uniformly distributed any one city would get a total eclipse on the average once in 360 years, for a period averaging three minutes. All cities are not equally fortunate in this respect. Thus London had no total eclipse from 878 to the one of 1715 and has had none since. New York is to get its first glimpse of the corona the present month. New England was last visited by the moon's shadow on June 16, 1806, and will have to wait from 1925 until 2024 for another similar phenomenon.

The path of the eclipse on the 24th will begin in northern Minnesota. From there it will travel southeasterly over the Great Lakes, northern Wisconsin, northern Michigan, a small section of Canada, New York State, the northeastern corner of Pennsylvania, the northern part of New Jersey, southern Rhode Island and Nantucket.

The path then runs easterly and northeasterly across the Atlantic Ocean and ends at sunset about fifty miles north of the Shetland Islands. The entire distance from Minnesota to a point north of Scotland is traversed by the shadow in one hour and forty-three minutes. From Buffalo, N. Y., to New Haven, requires 6 minutes for the distance of more than 325 miles. Buffalo, Binghamton, Danbury, New Haven and Montauk Point are practically on the central line. The southern limit of the path passes six miles north of Mayville, N. Y., five miles south of Wellsboro, Pa., and five miles north of Wilkes-Barre. Morristown and Newark, N. J., lie outside the limit and Paterson and Hackensack inside. Jersey City is partly in, but Brooklyn outside. The upper part of New York City will be in, but not the lower part.

The northern limit of the path passes six miles south of Syracuse and about the

same distance south of Cooperstown. Springfield, Mass., is just north of the limit, which passes through Putnam, Conn., and will probably cross Providence about half a mile north of Roger Williams Park. Fall River and New Bedford will both be in the path, which passes a few miles southwest of Barnstable on Cape Cod.

It must be remembered that the edge of the path is uncertain to the extent of a mile or possibly two. Observers are advised to get as near the central line as possible as there the duration of totality is longer. Thus at Columbia University, New York City, the total phase lasts only 30 seconds, at New Haven, on the central line, 2 minutes and 1 second. The width of the path varies from 81 miles in Minnesota to 112 miles in eastern New England.

Never before has an eclipse track passed over a region so thickly populated. It is estimated that approximately ten million people live within the path. Moreover there are ten observatories within the path and thirteen more within fifty miles of it. Unfortunately Ladd Observatory is just outside the path. Consequently the Brown University expedition will go to Van Vleck Observatory, Middletown, Conn., as the guests of Professor Frederick Slocum, Brown '95, the Director there. It is planned to study the corona both visually and photographically, to photograph its spectrum, as well as the flash spectrum, to determine the times of contact, study the shadow bands and make such other observations as time permits. In Middletown the eclipse will begin at 8.02 a. m., will be total for 112 seconds beginning about 9.12, and will end at 10.32. At Providence the beginning will be at 8.03, the middle at 9.16 and the end at 10.35. Everything, of course, depends upon having clear weather, for which the chances seem to be about even.



## Managing Brown Athletics

FEW graduates of Brown are informed as to the system on which the management of the University's athletic sports is based.

There is in the first place a faculty committee on student organizations, appointed by President Faunce. There is also an accessory committee, consisting of three members of this committee on student organizations and five alumni, who advise in the selection of coaches and other matters, the final decision resting with the faculty committee.

Some of the coaches are engaged by the season and some by the year.

Between the coaches and the faculty there is excellent co-operation, so far as the Alumni Monthly knows. There may be individual and temporary differences, but a marked spirit of harmony is evident in the general conduct of athletic affairs.

In the last analysis it is the faculty that controls our sports, in sharp distinction from the past, when we have had in succession undergraduate and alumni control.

A good idea of the financial growth of Brown athletics may be obtained from the following figures: In 1904-05 the receipts were \$14,306.57, expenses \$14,138.49, profits \$168.08. In 1923-24 the receipts were \$98,449.99, expenses \$78,500.36, profits \$19,949.63. In 1924-25 the receipts and profits will probably be larger because of the increased revenue from football, which is the only sport that makes a profit and thus carries all the others.

The Brown athletic year coincides with the academic year.

It is believed that the receipts from football will be larger than ever next fall in view of the construction of the new Stadium. The largest attendance at any football game in Providence was 8000, on Thanksgiving Day, 1916, when Colgate won a smashing victory against an unde-

feated Brown team that had vanquished Yale, Harvard and Dartmouth. The largest attendance in 1924 was somewhat in excess of 7000, also on Thanksgiving Day, when Brown beat Colgate. It is expected that much larger crowds will witness the 1925 games in the Stadium, the experience of other colleges having been that the erection of such structures doubles the attendance the first year and still further increases it later.

Since Dr. Marvel became Supervisor of Athletics in 1906-07 the Brown University Athletic Association has never asked alumni, undergraduates or anyone else for a single cent in the way of subscriptions. At that time only baseball and football were supported; now we have university baseball, football, swimming, wrestling and tennis, and in addition Freshman teams in all these sports, a necessary innovation in view of the adoption of rules forbidding first-year men to play on university teams. We have also intramural sports, which the athletic association finances. Coaches are paid chiefly by the association, though in a few instances an additional compensation comes from the University for instruction given to scheduled classes.

The number of games at present arranged is about the average of other colleges. The football schedule last fall was the hardest on record but it did not seem to affect the team unfavorably; the players were "up on their toes" with a remarkable amount of "pep" in the last game of the season, the one against Colgate on Thanksgiving Day. The 1925 schedule is no harder than the 1924 one and there is a special advantage in the fact that all the games will be played at home.

From time to time the question of inter-sectional games is raised. Brown has played only a few and has no settled policy one way or the other. Its most ambitious

trip was made across the continent in December, 1915, to play Washington State at Pasadena on New Year's Day, 1916. The trip was taken during the Christmas holidays and so involved no question of academic cuts. The players enjoyed the journey immensely and the results as a whole were beneficial to all concerned.

Another question frequently asked has to do with the scholastic standing of ath-

letes. There is considerable testimony that it is better than the average. It has also been found that the players do better with their books in the semesters when they are busy with athletics than in those when they are not thus employed.

The Supervisor of Athletics is appointed by the same authority that appoints members of the faculty and must be a member of the faculty.

## Problems of To-Day

SOME idea of the scope and variety of the problems that are pressing to-day on college authorities for settlement may be gained from the following list of topics suggested for discussion at the 66th meeting of the Association of Colleges in New England at Harvard University, Dec. 5-6: *Amherst College*

1. Survey courses in Freshman year (General Science and Social and Economic Institutions).

2. College Courses in Art.

*Boston University*

3. What can be done to give the college student an appreciation of the total field of knowledge as the background of the curriculum?

4. The importance of the College of Liberal Arts in the American system of education. (President Murlin suggests that Presidents Hopkins, Faunce and Garfield discuss this.)

*Bowdoin College*

5. Methods of selection of a Freshman class.

6. Scholarships—loans or gifts?

7. Exclusively honors or major work in Senior year.

8. The cost in time and money of social activities.

*Brown University*

9. Granted that so-called "student activities" should be retained, how can they be correlated with the curriculum?

10. In view of the rapid growth of "practical" courses of study, what can be done to strengthen and develop the cultural courses?

11. The process of selection in case enrollment is limited.

12. Fewer restrictions after the Freshman year for able and promising students.

13. The spiritual welfare of our students.

*Clark University*

14. Orientation courses for Freshmen.

*Harvard University*

15. Would some sort of intercollegiate General Examination be practicable?

16. Preparing Freshmen for their responsibilities as upper-classmen.

17. What minimum of hours of study a week by undergraduates should the Faculty have a right to expect?

18. Relative weight of scholarly promise and ability to teach as reasons for appointment and promotion of instructors.

*Middlebury College*

19. Is a series of "exit" examinations practicable?

20. What can be done to foster the religious life of the undergraduate?

21. Can an honorable dismissal be granted to a student leaving on the initiative of the college?

*Trinity College*

22. Required attendance at classes.

23. The use of intelligence tests for the elimination of new students.

*Tufts College*

24. Shall students from junior colleges be received with advanced standing?

25. Purpose and value of rank lists.

26. Is it possible for the Faculty to establish an exact relation between scholastic attainments and participation in so-called student activities?

*Wesleyan University*

27. Assistance for needy students: loan funds or scholarship funds?

28. Should a student dismissed from college have a second chance? If so, where should he obtain it?

*Williams College*

29. The limitation of numbers admitted to colleges.

30. The seasonal coach.

31. The control of athletic finances.

32. The distribution of profits of student organizations.

33. The use of automobiles by undergraduates.

34. Freshman dormitories and dining halls.

*Yale University* (Yale is most interested in questions No. 35, 36, 37, 38, 45 and 46).

35. Methods of informing Freshmen regarding courses which may be chosen and, in general, affording them guidance in their use of academic opportunities.

36. The practicability of a course for Freshmen which will furnish educational

guidance with reference to the objectives of college education.

37. The principle of dividing classes into sections on the basis of ability—what are the advantages and the disadvantages? Does it further intellectual activity?

38. What is now being done, and what more should be done, to inform boys in our preparatory and high schools of the nature of scientific and technical courses and of the fields of work toward which they lead?

39. The same question regarding Freshmen.

40. In view of the trend toward specialization, what proportion of the college course should be made up of absolute requirements, and how much should be free elective?

41. Is the combined course in which the Senior year may be devoted to professional study with credit for both bachelor's and professional degrees desirable?

42. The attitude of the College of Liberal Arts to earlier vocational choice.

43. The comprehensive examination at the close of the college period.

44. The function and place of the so-called unifying course.

45. The problem of encouraging students to enter the profession of teaching.

46. The usual Ph.D. course as a suitable preparation for the college teacher.

The delegates at this meeting from Brown were President Faunce, Dean Randall and Professor Damon. One of the questions submitted by Brown, that of the spiritual welfare of students, was discussed during an entire evening session.

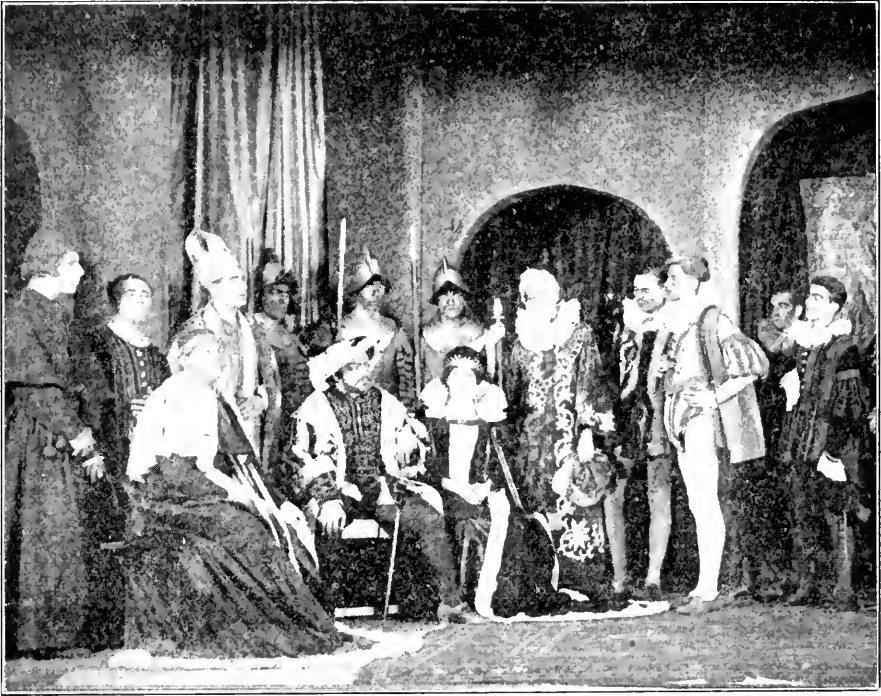
SENIOR FROLIC FEBRUARY 27

The annual Senior Frolic will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 27, in Sayles Hall. It will be similar to previous affairs. Chairs and tables will be placed in the hall and there will be several vaudeville acts and dancing.

The date chosen by the committee is opportune. The affair as it is scheduled will

take place just after the annual fraternity rushing, and before fraternity "scutting" begins. To add to the occasion the Pi Kappa Society is making plans for a tea dance to be held in the Union Saturday afternoon, Feb. 28. This event will be a fitting sequel to the Frolic week-end, and will add attractiveness to the affair for guests from out-of-town.

## KING HENRY VIII AS GIVEN BY THE



Left to right, sitting: Cardinal Wolsey, King Henry and Queen Katherine

THE University Dramatic Society opened its 1924-1925 season with the presentation of Shakespeare's famous historical play "King Henry VIII." The production added another large undertaking to the list of such plays as "Measure for Measure," "Phormio," of Terence, Wilde's "Duchess of Padua" and Galsworthy's "Silver Box" that have made the society known as one of the leading organizations in the Little Theatre movement. The production was given on the evenings of December 4, 5 and 6, with a matinee on the afternoon of December 6.

A cast that drew from the college its best actors gave a finished performance that brought many favorable comments from members of the faculty and newspaper critics. The stage settings, designed

by K. Harlowe 1925, and the properties, arranged by H. Zantow 1925, were the best that the society has produced and fitted completely into the period of the play. The costumes were brilliant and the large cast grouped in front of the colorful stage sets gave a spectacular touch to the production that was something new for the society.

Tom Johnson 1925, president of the Society, played the part of the King with a completeness and understanding that was unusual for an amateur actor. He made King Henry a lusty soul, a chuckling but a ruthless monarch, who with his stride and bearing might have stepped straight from the familiar Holbein picture. Tom raised his own beard for the production and produced a growth that would have made old Henry green with envy.

A. W. Packard 1925 as Cardinal Wolsey gave a representation unexcelled by

# BROWN UNIVERSITY DRAMATIC SOCIETY



Ann Bullen is third from the left in the seated group of lovely females

any other member of the company. He rose splendidly to the scene of his dismissal and was ably helped by Bagster-Collins as Cromwell. Packard's straightforwardness and sincerity showed a maturity that was surprising in Sock and Buskin work. The parts of the women were taken with great ability. The portrayal of Queen Katherine by E. L. Herrick 1928 and the acting of D. Norton-Taylor 1926 as Ann Bullen gave a finesse in women's roles of greater excellence than any heretofore seen on the Brown Union stage.

The cast for the play was as follows:

King Henry VIII, *Tom L. Johnson* 1925.

Cardinal Wolsey, *Arthur W. Packard* 1925.

Cardinal Campeius, *Gillmore O. Bush* 1928.

Duke of Norfolk, *Frank C. Fowler* 1926.

Duke of Buckingham, *Charles K. Baker, Jr.*, 1926.

Duke of Suffolk, *John B. Lord* 1925.

Lord Sands, *Frank Russo* 1925.

Lord Chamberlain, *Philip Jones* 1925.

Earl of Surrey, *Harold A. Zantow* 1925.

Sir Thomas Lovell, *Frank D. Singiser* 1928.

Sir Harry Guildford, *Fritz Wiener* 1927.

Cromwell, servant to Wolsey, *Jeremy Bagster-Collins* 1927.

Kevet, *Joseph Cohen* 1926.

Queen Katherine, *Edward L. Herrick* 1928.

Anne Bullen, *Duncan Norton-Taylor* 1926.

Lady Denny, *Pratt Tobey* 1926.

*J. I. Gorton*

## The Corporation

THE November meeting of the Advisory and Executive Committee was held in the President's office on Friday, Nov. 21st, at 2.30 p. m. The report of the Comptroller was presented, accepted and placed on file.

President Faunce suggested the need of more precise interpretation of the rules for retirement of professors under the old pension system. The matter was referred to the Committee on Consultation between Corporation and Faculty with request to report later to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Paul C. DeWolf and Professor Fred W. Marvel appeared before the Committee to present the latest views of the two committees on Gymnasium and on Athletic Fields. It was apparent that the committees have undergone some change in point of view and are inclined to emphasize the construction of a field-house more than the construction of a gymnasium and to aim at keeping the students out of doors in organized and supervised sports during the greater part of the college year. The ideas of the two committees were presented at length and approved in principle by the Advisory and Executive Committee. The two committees were instructed to proceed in their work with the idea of placing greatly increased emphasis upon the field-house and the part it should play in the physical training of Brown men.

Mr. Edmond Wood presented a report from the Committee on the Construction of New Dormitories. It appeared that the present dormitories are not paying adequate interest on the money invested and that some increase in rentals should be made, so that the cost of living in the dormitories would be about the same as that of living in fraternity houses or private lodgings. The plans for Hegeman Hall were discussed and also plans for the erection of a second dormitory in case the building of

Hegeman Hall should be delayed by the fact that the leases of houses in St. Stephen's Row have still some time to run.

It was voted that Mr. W. C. Wyckoff of New York should be added to the Committee, consisting of Messrs. Scott, Chafee and Faunce, on the Moral and Religious Welfare of the Students.

A report was presented from Messrs. Wyckoff and Bumpus on crowded conditions in the Department of Geology, and it was recommended that some of the material now housed in the building should be removed and only that should be retained which is essential to instruction.

The Committee adjourned at five o'clock.

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The Advisory and Executive Committee held its December meeting at the President's office on Friday, Dec. 12th, at 2.30 p. m. The Board of Fellows, holding its meeting in the evening, was invited to meet with the Executive Committee in the afternoon. The Executive Committee in turn, with all the Trustees living in Providence, met with the Board of Fellows at dinner in the Hope Club at 6.30 p. m. Thus seventeen members of the Corporation spent the entire evening conferring on University affairs.

At the meeting in the afternoon the report of the Superintendent of Grounds and Buildings was presented, accepted and placed on file. A report was presented by Dr. Bumpus from the Committee on Consultation with the Associated Alumni—the committee consisting of Messrs. Bumpus, DeWolf and Pendleton, and the committee appointed by the Associated Alumni consisting of Messrs. Matteson, Aldrich, Gross and Clark. The report showed that the alumni of Brown University now number 7500 and that the present Association with its annual dues, established in 1919, has achieved some very im-

portant pieces of work; such as the publication of the Address Book, the keeping of the Alumni Records, important assistance in the publication of the Historical Catalogue, the finding of nominees for vacancies on the Board of Trustees and the supervision of the voting for such Trustees, the strengthening of local Alumni Associations, the securing of legitimate publicity, the issuing of annual reports and the annual publication of the Necrology. It was shown, however, that the organization faces a deficit this year of \$3500 and that some decisive action is necessary. The three members of the Corporation Committee were instructed to continue their study of the problem and authorized to take definite action.

A report from the Engineering Division prepared by Professor Kenerson was presented to the Committee. This report dealt with the fact that the temporary structure now adjoining the Engineering Building must be removed to make way for the Hegeman Hall of Residence on George and Thayer streets, and that consequently other provision must be made for the housing of the departments. Plans were presented for the construction of an entirely new Engineering Building on land adjoining Brunonia Hall. These plans and the question of the future development

of the Division were referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. Sharpe, Scott, Bumpus and Burlingame, said committee to report to the Advisory and Executive Committee at a later meeting.

It was voted that Professor R. G. D. Richardson, chairman of the Department of Mathematics, should have sabbatic leave of absence for the second semester of the current year.

The crowded condition of the buildings was discussed at length, and the necessity for taking some measure or measures for restricting further increase in the student body.

The Committee discussed at length the need of a hall and stage for the proper presentation of the drama by the students. Plans were presented for the building of a new dormitory in addition to the projected Hegeman Hall, said dormitory to be located east of the John Carter Brown Library and immediately adjoining Maxcy Hall. Further co-operation with the School of Design was advocated and a special committee was appointed to consider methods of co-operation.

At half-past five the Committee adjourned, the evening being spent in informal discussion without the transaction of business.

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## THE NEW GYM SYSTEM

The Brown Herald says:

"The action of the Department of Physical Education in making the classes in physical training something more than mere drills is one to be commended. Certainly, there was no more irksome course in the Freshman year than the old Physical Training 1, 2. Perhaps gyrating about the floor of the gym and making mystic circles in the air with wands and dumb-bells was beneficial, but it was also tedious. The new

system, by which Freshmen will play games and exercise in a manner in which there is some pleasure, is an excellent one. Classes in gym will mean more than going down there and working off a few superfluous pounds of fat; they will probably do this, and they will, at the same time, be interesting.

"In doing away with afternoon gym classes, a big step has been made toward a real system of intra-mural sports. Inadequate as the gym now is, the new plan will enable more men to use it."



# The Clubs

## NEW YORK

The success of the fall series of football gatherings has brought requests for similar meetings during the winter and the entertainment committee is now busy on planning a programme.

Mel Lowe '17, recently transferred from the main office of the Chicago Tribune to the New York branch, is now living at the Club. Another recruit is Gerald (Jerry) W. Bennett '24, who is connected with the Realty Co. of Keith Walker, New York.

Recent visitors to the Club include S. M. Harris '19, Birmingham, Ala., Furber Marshall '19, Chicago, end coach of the University football team the past season, G. D. Curtis '16, Schenectady, N. Y.; Lincoln Vaughan '19, Providence; Paul L. Chipman, '08, Boston; J. R. Brown '16, Cambridge; Fred Harvey '24, Windsor, Can.; E. A. Maynard '95, Palmerton, Pa., A. T. Hindmarsh '19, Providence; E. B. Peterson '23, Poughkeepsie; Philip DeWolf '01, Bristol; Horace T. Day '01, Jamaica Plain, Mass.; Donald LeStage '01, North Attleboro, Mass.; B. Malcolm Harris '13, Albany; Samuel H. Whitley '03, Boston; H. M. Sutton '12, Boston; Arthur E. Miller '22, Texas City, Tex.; Roy H. Smith '01, Kent, Ohio; C. L. Bagnall '14, Philadelphia; Francis E. Booth '21, Cornwall, N. Y.; William M. Fay '18, Buffalo; James F. Denison '88, Butte, Mont. and D. L. Brown '12, Boston.

## CHICAGO

The surfeit of undergraduate activities which gave the Chicago alumni such a big year in 1924 has simply whetted their appetites for more; and it is the hope of most of the members that Brown teams will be seen out here at least every other year instead of once in a quarter century.

Echoes of the Brown-Chicago game are still to be heard. The alumni generally

were proud of the fight put up by the eleven under discouraging handicaps. The argument still is sound that Chicago really played better than it knew against us and that with Eckstein able to show his best, the score would have been more even than it was. The Chicago Club has refused to feel in the least down-hearted. And it is sure that Robbie will gather his forces and make a record for himself and for Brown with that stirring all-home schedule next fall.

The Club also records its appreciation of the fine work done by Al Gurney with the local newspapers, which, after a bad start, came through with flying colors. Al had the World's Series baseball games to contend with, and he met some sporting writers who, truth to tell, know more about baseball and boxing than they do about college football. Yet he found them friendly and willing to meet him halfway.

At a preliminary meeting of the representatives of Eastern colleges called for the purpose of organizing an Eastern College Alumni Association, the Brown Club of Chicago was commended for its hospitality and inter-college work in connection with the Brown-Chicago game. Other Alumni associations were high in their praise for the manner in which the Brown Club handled the affair.

The Brown Club's activities apparently proved the stimulus necessary to start off the Eastern College Alumni Association. The meeting was called on December 2. It was presided over by Mr. Millard of M. I. T. Burton Harrington, Secretary-Treasurer of the Brown Club, was elected as temporary secretary. As the proposed organization will represent over 4,000 alumni from Eastern colleges it is expected that it will be effective in promoting joint Eastern college enterprises. There is a pressing demand for such an organization

which may possibly develop to the point where a club building will be acquired.

The annual banquet is the next event on the Brown Club calendar and a strong active committee, such as the two which successfully engineered the Glee Club trip and the football arrangements, will undoubtedly be in charge.

### BALTIMORE

V. T. Dimitroff, secretary of the Brown Club of Baltimore, has written us that the Club plans to meet monthly, having got away to a fine start on Nov. 14. President Walter G. Chandler '78 was master of ceremonies and Sam Damon '16 and Percy Meader '14 saw to it that everybody had enough to eat. "The Brown spirit is not lacking here," Mr. Dimitroff said in his letter, "and the interests of the University prove lively topics for discussion at our gatherings. From all indications the Club is going to have a good year. The members look forward with expectation to spending the most enjoyable meeting of the month when we get together."

Of course the Brown Club of Baltimore knows by this time that the University swimming team will meet the Navy at Annapolis on Feb. 21, and we presume that every Brunonian in the city will try to be on deck to cheer Capt. Sam Metzger and his mates at that time. *A. H. G.*

### CONNECTICUT VALLEY

The Connecticut Valley Brown Club's informal lunch at the Highland Hotel, Springfield, on Dec. 2 was an enjoyable one, attracting not only a good company of Springfield members but also Brunonians from Holyoke, South Hadley, Palmer and Longmeadow. The luncheon series this winter is becoming increasingly successful; and out of the gatherings it is expected that the interests of Brown in this part of New England will be greatly benefitted.

The annual dinner is being set for some time in February. As has been the case

during the past few years it will be held at the Nayasset Club. The committee is working on an exceptionally fine programme and hopes to secure an array of speakers who will satisfy the most exacting tastes.

The Club is fortunate in having a number of new members who are adding life to its activities. There are nearly a hundred Brown men in the immediate neighborhood of Springfield at the present time. To each of them the secretary of the Club (Herbert F. Osteyee '13) has recently sent out a newsy letter from Alumni Manager Gurney. (We hope that Al will be able to send us a number of such letters in the course of the year, as every Brown man up this way is interested in reading all of the news that he can get about doings on College Hill).

The University Glee Club sang at the Sunday afternoon meeting conducted by the Springfield Y. M. C. A. on Nov. 23 in the municipal auditorium. Advance notice of its appearance was sent to all members of the Springfield Valley Club, with the result that some of them were on hand to enjoy an excellent concert.

President Ralph P. Boas of the Club is now professor of English at Mt. Holyoke College and has taken up his residence at South Hadley.

### DETROIT

Because we like to have Brunonians know that the alumni organization at Detroit is not altogether defunct, I send you the following note:

The Brown Alumni Association of Michigan at its November meeting organized for 1925. Because of the fact that the writer was unavoidably detained from this meeting and was the only person apparently so detained, he was elected President and William A. Moffett '14 was re-elected Secretary.

It was decided that monthly meetings should be held on the third Thursday of each month at the Hotel Tuller. So far,

one month having elapsed, our performance in this respect is one hundred per cent. At the December meeting 14 out of the 20 were present and the other six have since taken solemn oath to be on hand at the January meeting.

Michigan alumni are planning for a visit from the Brown Musical Clubs on Saturday, March 28. It is hoped that this concert will be given at the Detroit Golf Club as it was a year ago when it became something of a society event in this community.

A very informal reception was held recently at the home of the writer on the occasion of the visit to the city of Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn. A number of his old students and friends took occasion to drop in and renew old associations.

*H. A. Coffin*

## LYNN

The Brown Club of Lynn was host to the undergraduates in the University from that city at a supper at the Lynn Y. M. C. A. on Friday, Dec. 26. The object of the gathering was a better acquaintanceship between the students and the alumni and the affair was successful in every particular. There has long been a fine, stirring Brown spirit in Lynn, as is shown by the fact that there are 19 Lynn boys now on the University register. President Frank E. Marble spoke briefly and everybody joined in the singing of Brown songs.

(A similar affair was in the wind in Cleveland, which city has twenty-four boys at Brown, but we must wait until next month to get a report on what occurred from R. A. Gillis '15, secretary of the Brown Club of Cleveland.) *A. H. G.*

## PITTSBURGH

With a view to having more Pittsburgh boys at Brown, the Brown Club of Pittsburgh at its last monthly meeting named John O. Chesley '11 to head a committee for the purpose of trying seriously to increase the Pittsburgh enrollment on College Hill. Mr. Chesley has for many years

been successful in sales work for the **Aluminum Co. of America** and his fellow Brownians feel that his efforts will result in putting Pittsburgh on the Brown map more plainly than it is at present.

Of course the college officials may not be very anxious to increase the number of students applying for admission, yet we feel sure that if the right type is presented from Pittsburgh they will be more than willing to co-operate in the work of the Brown Club.

Leon F. Payne '07, credit manager of the Carnegie Steel Co., was elected President of the Club for the next year and the writer was again chosen as Secretary. Two new members were welcomed into the Pittsburgh circle—George H. Kelley '10, engineer with the American Bridge Co., Ambridge, Pa., and Ivan Half '24, a Pittsburgh boy.

The Club has decided to meet every Monday if possible, but especially the second Monday of each month about a table at the Hungry Club, Fort Pitt Hotel, for the noonday luncheon and lecture. This occasion, as far as Brown men are concerned, is one of friendly meeting, but the Hungry Club, an informal body without officers and never voting on anything, concerns itself not so much with things temporal as with things spiritual. An unusual group consisting largely of college men, it exists to hear both sides of questions of common interest. Brown men while meeting one another are assured of an interesting talk in addition. President Faunce spoke before the Hungry Club last February, and made a deep impression.

Dr. Royal N. Jessup '04, pastor of the Shady Avenue Baptist Church, has been active on a committee gathering data for the Pittsburgh Ministers' Association relative to prohibition enforcement.

Judson A. Crane '05, secretary of the Law School of the University of Pittsburgh, is president of the Pittsburgh section of the New England Society.

Harry M. Jones '12 is again serving as

city solicitor of McKeesport, where he lives. Jones was appointed previously to serve the unexpired term of H. W. Douglas, who was elevated to a judgeship.

Leon A. Winslow '04 has left his post at the Allegheny High School to become a principal of the Hartford Business Institute, Hartford, Conn. *L. F. P. C.*

## Various Matters

**W**ORK on the 1925 "Liber Brunensis" is well under way and the material is shaping itself into what the editors feel will be the best "Liber" ever published. In undertaking the production of the book, the Managing Board has made every effort to get away from the stereotyped form that has been so evident in some previous years. The make-up planned by J. I. Gorton, Editor-in-Chief, will be entirely different from that used in the past few years, and many new features will be introduced.

The Managing Board feels that the "Liber" should be a Class Book rather than a college directory, and has tried to place as much emphasis as possible on the Senior class. A special Stadium section will be run with the latest photographs that can be obtained of the new athletic development. A History of the College will have a place in the book and will be featured by wood-cut drawings and the major incidents in Brown's history. Athletics will be given more space than in former years and the football section will contain photographs of all the players along with action photographs of the games. The annual will be fifty pages larger than last year's book.

The art work by D. R. Gates 1925 will be one of the outstanding attractions of the volume. Most of the art work will be typical of the architecture of the buildings. Those who have followed the work of Mr. Gates in the Jug are looking forward to see him outdo himself in the "Liber."

Under the direction of F. D. Bateman 1925, Business Manager, and E. R. Walker 1925, Advertising Manager, the board anticipates more advertisements than ever

before. Subscriptions for the 1925 book may be obtained through W. M. Browne 1925, Circulation Manager.

All photographs for the "Liber" will be taken by the White Studios of New York. The Edward S. Jones Sons of Providence will do the printing and the Howard-Wesson Co. of Worcester the engraving.

### FEW AT DEBATE

The annual Freshman-Sophomore debate was held on Nov. 28, the subject being the need of a third party, and the Sophomores winning in support of the affirmative. Concerning the debate a writer in the Brown Herald says:

"The historic Freshman-Sophomore debate was held in the auditorium of the Metcalf Chemical Laboratory last Friday night. Tradition formerly had it that the debate should take place in the Brown Union. A change was made this year, and having tried the new hall, next year's debating manager might well consider holding the '25 Freshman-Sophomore classic in the gallery of Sayles Hall, Carrie Clock Tower or the office of the Brown Jug. Anyone of these sanctums is commodious enough by a long shot to house the debate enthusiasts of Brown University if the attendance at the late forensic tilt between the two lower classes in the Metcalf arena is a safe criterion to go by. And we add, as we toy with our hoary white beard, that it is safe, for we have never heard of Brunonians being turned away from a debate, 'Varsity or otherwise.

"Speaking of statistics, here are a few which would dumbfound Roger Babson himself. Excluding debaters, presiding

officer, judges and timer, all of whom, according to usual custom, were present at the 1927-1928 battle of words, and the janitor, whose duty it was to stay to extinguish the lights in the hall and close the edifice for the night, 19 persons came and sat through the debate from start to finish."

## TWO DEFEATS IN DEBATE

Brown was beaten, Dec. 8, by the Harvard debating team at Cambridge by a judges' decision of two to one. The question, of which the Brown team took the negative, was as follows: "Resolved, That the formation of a third major political party would advance the cause of representative government in the United States." A vote of the audience also favored Harvard by a 52 to 41 decision.

Frank S. Singiser, Jr., '28, Gardner C. Hudson '27 and J. Mark Jacobson '26 composed the Brown team, and the Crimison team consisted of Edward G. Wesson, Adolf F. Reel and Edward J. Metzdorf. The judges were President John A. Cousens of Tufts, James T. Pugh and Judge George W. Anderson.

Amherst also won from Brown on the same question, Dec. 6 at Providence. The Brown team, taking the affirmative, consisted of G. P. Helliwell '26, M. E. Yarus '25 and W. E. Chalmers '25.

## CAPTAIN STIFLER

James Madison Stifler, Jr., of Evanston, Illinois, has been elected captain of the University football team for next season at a meeting of the 1924 letter-men. The captain-elect has played a consistently brilliant game at right end on the 'Varsity for the past three seasons.

Stifler's experience as a football player dates back to his preparatory days at Peddie School, Hightstown, New Jersey. During his Senior year he was captain of the Peddie eleven.

At Brown Stifler broke into the 'Varsity lineup in his Sophomore year, where his ability as a wingman attracted attention.

Since then, he has been playing regularly on the right end of the line. In both the Harvard and Dartmouth games of 1923 his playing was one of the prominent features of the Brown attack. During the past season he was absent from the lineup only in the Harvard game, when a knee injury received the previous week against the Haskell Indians kept him on the sidelines.

Besides being prominent in football at Brown, Stifler has been one of the mainstays on the swimming team. He is the present holder of the Colgate Hoyt tank record in the back-stroke.

He is 23 years old and five feet ten inches in height, and weighs 177 pounds. He is a member of the Junior honorary society, Pi Kappa, and of the Psi Upsilon fraternity.

## FOOTBALL LETTERS

Included in the list of football men to whom 'Varsity "B's" have been awarded are seventeen Seniors, seven Juniors and three Sophomores. Eleven of the men were awarded their letters for the first time.

The list follows: A. W. Eckstein, T. K. Ferry, P. D. Higgins, T. L. Johnson, C. H. Klump, Jr., L. F. McDermott, E. V. F. McCrillis, H. Metzger, S. P. Metzger, C. C. Myers, H. C. Neubauer, J. T. Pohlman, B. D. Roman, P. Sayward, J. H. Sheldon, C. Staples and F. Sweet, class of 1925; C. B. Dixon, J. M. Keefer, R. J. Payor, J. C. Richardson, J. M. Stifler, Jr., and J. O. Talbot, class of 1926; and H. A. Broda, C. W. Provonchee and O. F. Smith, class of 1927. Manager T. W. Taylor also received his letter.

## FOOTBALL PROSPECTS

The prospects for next fall's 'Varsity football team are good, as the Freshman class has a dozen men of 'Varsity calibre, who will go a great way toward filling up the gap left by the class of 1925. There are also eleven prominent regulars left from the 'Varsity squad for next season. Of these, seven are now Juniors and four

Sophomores. There are Stifler, Broda and Talbot, ends; Smith, tackle; Keefer, Dixon, Payor, Richardson and Mishel, backs; Provonchee, guard, and Stephens, centre.

The following members of the class of 1925 will be available for the 'Varsity squad next season: Roy Randall, quarterback from Andover; Richard Gurney, E-x-eter tackle and captain of the 1928 team this fall; Irving Hadley, fullback from Lynn and Mercersburg; the Morey twins, linemen; Charles Considine from Newton; Dean Richards, another quarterback; Dean Smith, an end from Pawling; Paul Edes, Simeon Velar and Roland Ford, halfbacks, and J. G. Getz, Jr., guard.

### SWIMMING

On Dec. 8th about 45 men appeared at Colgate Hoyt pool in answer to a call for candidates by Coach Barry, who is temporarily supervising swimming. Although it is too early to make any statement as to the ability of his men, Coach Barry says that he is more than well pleased at the showing made during the first week of practice.

Brown is faced with the loss of Capt. "Davey" Jones, Wheeler and "Charlie" Huggins, who turned out championship teams at Brown for several years. To take the places of the first-named star performers, Capt. Sam Metzger and Mark Coles are being counted on to continue their good work. Other promising candidates and their particular events are as follows: Capt. Metzger, 220-440 yards; Staples and Coles, 50-100 yards; H. Metzger, plunge; Kilton, breast stroke; Hull, Hadley and Bussum, dives; Hays, Stifler, Mazet, Klump and Stewart, 50-100 yards.

Intensive practice has not yet been started, due to the fact that the first meet does not come until after the first semester examinations. The schedule, which is one of the hardest in years, includes meets with Yale, Navy, Syracuse, Dartmouth, Wesleyan and Colgate, of which five are at home.

### BASKETBALL

Although Brown has been particularly weak in basketball since that sport was taken up again five years ago, it appears certain that the team will be a winning combination this year. The prospects are the best in years, and included in the candidates are three captains—two former—Wagenknecht and Williams, and the present leader, "Joe" Tuckerman. Besides these men are Danzell, Hayes, Dugan, Latham, Lathrop and Fellman, all letter men, and Broda, Good, McGeeney and Tsukuno from last year's Freshman team. Good, in particular, has been playing well, and is almost sure of a berth on the first team.

Coach Evans has initiated a new plan this fall, that of a Junior 'Varsity team. This team will consist of men lacking 'Varsity calibre and will have a schedule entirely separate from the first team. A game was played with the Hope Street High School on Dec. 13, at Lyman Gymnasium, the Brunonians winning, 29-20.

Due to the fact that practically all the buildings at Bridgewater Normal School were destroyed by fire early in the week, the opening game with that team was postponed. The season was opened Friday, the 19th, when the New Bedford Textile School five tried to penetrate Coach Evans's five-man defense, but failed, 50 to 24, Fellman being the principal luminary for Brown. On the same evening the Freshmen beat Hope High, 34-9.

### TRACK

Preparations for the indoor track season began shortly after the Thanksgiving recess with a goodly number of veterans on hand. The prospects in this sport are also very bright, but Coach Powers says that he needs many more candidates. Among those who reported are Capt. Elson, Underdown, Needham, Nevins, Chalmers, Talbot and Gilbert from last year's squad, and Aldrich, Cleaves, Richardson, Groves, Caswell and Arnn of the class of 1927.

So far two indoor meets have been scheduled, and for this reason Coach Powers is working to perfect a fast relay team. Brown will be matched against Dartmouth and Bowdoin, the last Saturday night in January, and it is hoped the team will tag a third consecutive victory in this special event. Two weeks previous to this meet Brown will send men in several events to the K. of C. games in Boston. The equipment for winter track is very poor at Brown, but it is hoped that with the building of the new gymnasium we will be able to compete with the larger colleges, both in equipment and material.

### NOTES OF THE MONTH

A junior Kiwanis Club is planned for Brown.

Admiral Rodgers and Will Irwin have been recent speakers at Brown.

Professor Sharon O. Brown was the principal speaker at the final Freshman Mixer in the Union, Dec. 15. His subject was "Fraternities and Friendships."

The Sphinx held a meeting at the Delta Upsilon House on the evening of Dec. 10, at which B. K. Hart, literary editor of the Providence Journal, talked on Anatole France.

Over two hundred were present at the All-Brown-Night dance given in the chapel

of the Central Congregational Church on the evening of Dec. 5. Music was furnished by the Brunonians, an orchestra of five pieces.

In the Junior elections, F. H. Rohlfz was chosen President of the Junior Class; C. B. Dixon, First Vice President; G. H. Needham, Second Vice President; N. M. Field, Secretary, and W. B. Widnall, Treasurer.

The first 'Varsity wrestling meet will take place in Lyman Gymnasium, Jan. 14, with C. C. N. Y. as the opponent. Coach Herrick is fast rounding his men into shape and the prospects are bright for a successful season.

The Metcalf Laboratory Auditorium was well filled on the evening of Dec. 11, when Professor Charles A. Kraus, research professor of chemistry at the University, gave his first public lecture before a Providence gathering. His subject was: "The Present State of Chemistry."

Fifty track candidates have been working out daily under Coach Powers on the Lincoln Field track for the 'Varsity and 1928 track teams in preparation for the first meet on January 31. The coach will enter a relay team in the first meet to be held by the Boston Athletic Association at the Boston Arena, and several individual students will compete in events.

## The Women's College

*(Contributed by the Press Club of the Women's College)*

CHRISTMAS festivities at the dormitories began with the dance at Metcalf Hall on Friday evening, Dec. 12, when the girls of Metcalf and East House danced in the living rooms. Evergreens and the Christmas colors gave a holiday atmosphere, and Shepard's Colonial Orchestra provided excellent music. Early Sunday morning, before dawn, two choirs, according to the Christmas custom, one in Miller and one in Metcalf, passed through

the dormitories singing Christmas carols. The two choirs then united and sang at Dean Morriss's home. Later the Miller girls went to Sharpe House and the Metcalf girls to East House. Christmas breakfast was served at eight-thirty in the decorated dining rooms and was followed by a short service.

The Christmas grind was given at each dormitory late in the afternoon. There was in each house a tree with grinds which



caused much amusement. Supper followed the reading of the grinds.

The last Christmas affair in the houses was the Miller Hall dance given on Thursday evening, Dec. 18. This dance, coming as it did on the eve of vacation, was a truly festive occasion. The decorations were in the usual Christmas manner and the music was the Brunonians' best. The Sharpe House girls and their men were the guests of Miller that evening.

### *ONE BIG DRIVE*

Instead of a number of drives interrupting the students during the year, one large drive was held the week of December 8. The committee in charge of the drive had the task of raising money for the Community Chest Fund, which will be used, in the proportion agreed upon, for the charities the college is asked to support. The Near East Relief, the Student Friendship Fund, and several others are on the college's list. The active committee, of which Hannah Pickles '25 is chairman, conducted chapel three mornings that week and had interesting people speak on pertinent subjects.

The work of the Community Chest Committee is considered more efficient and less bothersome than the old manner of college drives. This committee, it has been decided, should be a permanent factor in the college, and continue the work of the past two years.

### *BASKETBALL*

Basketball tournaments began on Dec. 3, when the Senior and Sophomore first teams played against each other. On the same afternoon the Junior first team played the Senior second team. The first of these games was won by the Senior team, and the second was won by the Juniors. The other part of the tournament was played by the second teams of both the Seniors against the Juniors, and the Sophomores against the Freshmen. Here the

Juniors won again, and the Sophomores lost to the Freshmen.

Another instalment of the tournament was held on Dec. 10, when the Seniors won against the Freshmen, and the Juniors won against the Sophomores. These two games were played by the first teams. The second teams also played on the same afternoon, when the Seniors won over the Sophomores and the Juniors won over the Freshmen.

### *A PRIZE THEME*

At a recent meeting of the student body, the President of the Student Government announced a theme contest which is to be conducted by the Executive Board. The subject of the composition is "The Value to the Student Body of Student Government based on the Honor System," and its length is to be not over a hundred and fifty words. The contest is open to every student except those who are on the Executive Board or have been in the past. The themes will be judged on the basis of 75 per cent. for substance and 25 per cent. for style.

### *PRESS CONFERENCE*

The Press Club of the Women's College was one of the collegiate press boards represented at the second annual conference of Press Clubs held at Smith College on Saturday, Dec. 6. A full program of conferences and speeches had been planned by Smith for this conference, at which there were delegates from eleven eastern women's colleges. Among the subjects discussed were the important ones of the gathering and the distribution of news. Methods of approach to newspapers, the value of a press club, and the need of reliable publicity were points considered. Among the interesting speakers was Edward McKernon, superintendent of the eastern division of the Associated Press. The delegates from the Women's College were Frances Bennett '25, the President of the Press Club, and Pauline O'Connor '26.

### *JUNIOR SHOW*

The Juniors gave their vaudeville show on Wednesday, Dec. 10, after postponing it several times. It was given as part of the Juniors' plans for raising money for their Prom fund, and was a financial success.

The programme included both vocal and instrumental music, a play entitled "Nevertheless," in which Hope Gilbert, Caroline Flanders and Dorothy Stafford had parts, and an act of Chinese dancing for which there was appropriate scenery. The final number was a group of both popular and college songs, accompanied by a "uke" orchestra.

Between the acts a committee of Juniors sold candy to the audience, the proceeds of which were added to the proceeds of the show.

### *A CHRISTMAS GIFT*

Professor Raymond Archibald made a rare and beautiful gift to the Metcalf and Miller dormitories this Christmas season in a collection of pronograph records which are to be available for use in both dormitories. The group includes the Fifth, Sixth and Ninth symphonies as well as Schubert's Unfinished symphony and many other pieces of classical music. There are with the musical collection three volumes of Phillip Goepf's lectures on interpretations of the symphonies.

### *PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTS*

Miss Martha E. Salathe '28 of the Women's College was announced by Dean Morriss in chapel exercises on Dec. 15 as the student winning the highest ranking in the psychological tests which were given in September to the entering class. Because of late registration Miss Salathe was

unable to take the tests with the 138 Freshmen examined then, but was tested with ten others in the week of Dec. 8. Not only was her grading of 90.9 per cent. higher than the rank of any man or woman taking the tests, but it is a rating which very few have ever achieved. Miss Salathe also won the entrance prize in German.

In a comparison between the ranks of the men and women of the University the former average for the first 10 per cent., 77 or over, while the latter average 74 or more.

The announcement of the awarding of the first Entrance Premium in French to Marie Ann Girard, who was graduated from Commercial High School, Providence, was also made. The second Entrance Premium in Greek went to Dorothy M. Arnott, who came to the Women's College from Classical High School, Providence.

### *CHRISTMAS BAZAAR*

A Christmas bazaar was held in Sayles Gymnasium on Saturday, Dec. 13, as has been the custom the past few years. The Silver Bay-Maqua Club arranged the affair, which proved to be quite elaborate, featuring a Japanese booth and a tea room. Many possibilities for Christmas presents were offered at the attractive tables, while candy, cake and flowers also tempted the prospective buyer. In a log cabin, skillfully contrived, an Aunt Jemima served waffles to the shoppers. The tea room was in the balcony, where small tables were set out and decorated in the holiday fashion, as was the whole hall. The bazaar was planned and managed by a committee headed by Ivy Fricker '25, ably assisted by members of the Silver Bay-Maqua Club.

## Rhodes Scholars From Brown

ARTHUR W. PACKARD of Dorchester, Mass., a member of the present Senior class at Brown, and Robert Lee Baker, Jr., of Ashland, Ky., a Brown

graduate, have been awarded Rhodes scholarships.

Packard will represent Rhode Island at Oxford University during the course of study there to which the award entitles him. Baker, who graduated from Brown in 1923 and took graduate work in history at Columbia University, is the Kentucky representative in the present list of recipients of the award.

In addition to selecting Packard, the Rhode Island Rhodes scholarship committee nominated George H. Hunt of Richmond Hill, N. Y., Brown '24, for a scholarship-at-large, if one is available.

Competition for the coveted scholastic honor was keen in Rhode Island this year. Three candidates besides Packard and Hunt were considered by the Rhode Island committee. They were Edward R. Place of East Randolph, Vt., Brown '24; Arnold W. Jones of Providence, Yale '25, and Charles Bradley of Providence, Cornell '25.

Arthur W. Packard is 23 years old. He prepared for college at Mount Hermon. At college he has displayed an active interest and proficiency in dramatics. He is a member of the Sock and Buskin and played Cardinal Wolsey in the society's recent presentation of Henry VIII. He won the Carpenter prize for elocution in 1923.

He is a member of the Sphinx Club and Delta Upsilon Fraternity, and treasurer of the Brown Christian Association. In swimming he won the novice championship in the plunge.

He has been actively engaged in personnel work at the summer students' religious conference at Northfield, Mass. In 1922 and 1923 financial reasons forced him to suspend his college course and in the interim he taught at Mount Hermon. He has specialized in English at Brown and at Oxford he will study English literature.

Robert Lee Baker, Jr., was graduated from Brown in the class of 1923, with the degree of Ph.B. He specialized in history, resumed the study of that subject at Columbia and will continue it at Oxford.

George H. Hunt won first prize in the entrance premium competition in Latin at Brown. He won the James Manning Scholarship, and the Francis Wayland scholarship in his Sophomore and Junior years. In his Senior year he had preliminary highest honors. He was a member of the Cammarian Club, Phi Beta Kappa Sigma and Brown Christian Association cabinet. He was chosen for Phi Beta Kappa in his Junior year, was managing editor of the Brown Daily Herald, and in his Sophomore year was novice champion in wrestling. After being graduated from Brown, he continued the study of medical subjects at the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Columbia University. He is now President of his class.

The present Rhodes scholarship men at Oxford accredited to Rhode Island are William C. Greene of this city, Brown '22, and John A. Wilson of Jersey City, Brown '23.

## Wanted: A Theatre

THE excellent presentation of Shakespeare's "King Henry VIII" by the Brown University Dramatic Society on the evenings of December 4, 5 and 6 and the afternoon of December 6 was another reminder of the necessity of providing our undergraduate actors with a suitable and separate building for such performances.

The auditorium of the Brown Union is ill adapted to this use. It was originally

intended for lectures, has no adequate stage, and is devoid of dressing rooms, which must be improvised from nearby apartments in the Union. It should be superseded by a Brown Theatre at an early day.

Fortunately a theatre can be provided without excessive cost by utilizing the substantial stone stable recently purchased by the University Corporation of the

Henry Peirce estate. This building stands on Manning street, east of Brunonia Hall, and the authorities have had an architect examine it with the idea of converting it into a theatre. For this purpose the sum of ten thousand dollars would be sufficient.

The building is as sturdily built as any other on the campus and is ideally situated for dramatic presentations. The sum mentioned would provide an appropriate stage, ample dressing rooms and an auditorium with a sloped floor and a seating capacity of 300.

It ought not to be necessary to postpone this undertaking. Brown has many and diverse needs, but here is one that can be met without a severe drain upon its constituency. "The way to resume," said John Sherman regarding specie payments, "is to resume;" and the way to raise the money for this theatre project is to raise

it. We believe that there would be an instant and generous response if anyone should take the matter in hand. We may add that the columns of the Brown Alumni Monthly are at the disposal of any authorized committee or body that may attempt to secure the desired funds.

Our own impression of the Shakespeare play this year was entirely enjoyable and thoroughly creditable to the actors and those who trained them, chief among the latter, of course, being Mr. Benjamin W. Brown of the faculty. The dramatic achievements recorded at Brown in the last few years will stand comparison with those at any other American university; yet we continue to withhold the facilities that would do so much to encourage the artists who year after year work faithfully and well for the honor of the college and to the satisfaction of their friends.

## Brunonians Far and Near

### Faculty

Professor Arthur E. Watson, Professor James A. Hall and Zenas R. Bliss were the speakers at the dinner of the Sigma Xi in the Engineering Building, Dec. 10.

Messrs. Kenerson, Hall and Wayne M. Faunce of the Engineering Division attended the annual meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in New York.

Professor C. H. Currier read a paper on "Where every Good Mathematician is a Wrangler" at the annual meeting of the Association of Teachers of Mathematics in New England, held in Boston on December 6. On December 10 he spoke at a dinner of the Providence City Club on "The Total Solar Eclipse of January 24, 1925."

cellent notices of his new book, "Everlasting Life," which is published by the J. B. Lippincott Co. In the Literary Review of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, Rev. J. A. MacCullum wrote:

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### Alumni

1859

Dr. W. W. Keen has been receiving ex-

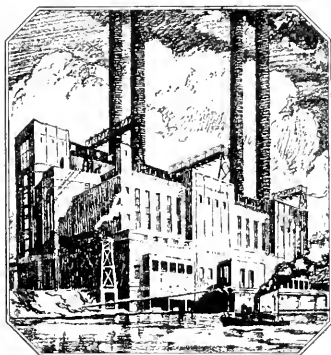
fundamental. He 'sees life steadily and sees it whole' and therefore recognizes that to be a Christian is to have the spirit of Christ rather than to subscribe to a series of doctrines which are impossible of verification."

1871

Rev. Charles Carroll Luther, who retired from the active ministry in 1920 after forty-two years of strenuous and faithful service, died at Farmingdale, L. I., Nov. 4, 1924. "I have never hankered for titles," Mr. Luther wrote some years ago when the wrong degree was attached to his name in a letter sent out from the University, "and only submitted to ordination and the title of Reverend to please dear ones and friends I esteemed highly.

"As a successful journalist for six years on one of the most prominent dailies of the 70's—the Springfield (Mass.) Republican—and for forty-three years thereafter as evangelist, pastor of large city and other churches, and as author of religious literature, composer of hymns and music, some of which have been heard around the world, I have, in retirement, much that is pleasant to look back upon and to look

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forward to." Mr. Luther was born in Worcester, Mass., May 17, 1847, the son of Jonathan and Emily Russell (Carroll) Luther. After his graduation from Brown he went into newspaper work and then into the ministry. He held pastorates in Bridgeport, Conn., Camden, N. J., and other cities. In his later years he did much to start anew churches threatened with extinction. After he retired in 1920 he went to live with a daughter in Farmingdale. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and editor of the D. K. E. song book published in 1871. He was an expert oarsman and swimmer and coached the famous Brown Freshman crew that beat Yale, Harvard and Amherst at Worcester in 1870.

1876

Dr. James C. Greenough, an honorary graduate of the class, died at his home in Westfield, Mass., Dec. 4, 1924. Dr. Greenough, a former president of Massachusetts Agricultural College, was principal of the Rhode Island Normal School at the time Brown conferred an honorary degree upon him. He also lectured at the University. William B. Greenough, former Attorney General of Rhode Island, is one of three surviving children. Dr. Greenough was in his 96th year and was a graduate of Williams in the class of 1860.

Federal Judge Arthur L. Brown observed his 70th birthday on Nov. 28 last and so became eligible for retirement from the bench after having served faithfully for more than 28 years. But we understand that Judge Brown is not likely to retire for a year or more. He was appointed to the bench by President Cleveland in 1896. His record has been a brilliant one, the higher courts having ruled against him fewer times than they have against any other Federal judge in the country.

1877

Two members of the class, Edgar Fowler Ballou and William M. Knight, have died since Commencement, so Secretary Joseph D. Milne has notified the Alumni Office. Judge Ballou passed away Aug. 18, 1924, in Pasadena, Calif., while Judge Knight's

death occurred in Hereford, Tex., on Oct. 4. "Judge Knight had been in failing health several years," wrote Mr. Milne, "his eyesight had failed so that he was unable to read, but his mind was clear and his interest in public affairs unabated. He carried on until March 21, last, when he was stricken with paralysis. He was buried at Glasgow, Tex., with Masonic honors. Judge Knight was born in New London, N. H., May 20, 1855. His father, Professor Ephraim Knight, was the recipient of honorary degrees from Brown and Dartmouth. The younger Knight was loved by his classmates at Brown—more so than by the Registrar! His fraternity was Delta Phi. Upon graduation he studied law with an uncle in Charleston, W. Va., and was admitted to the West Virginia bar. He established himself in practice, however, at Meridian, Tex., in 1880 and moved to Hereford in 1907. Five years later, when Hereford adopted a commission form of government, Judge Knight was elected Mayor—an office he held to his death. He was elected last April for the seventh term, although he was lying helpless in the hospital—certainly a compliment to a man whom the people delighted to honor for his faithfulness and whom they loved for his high character and good heart. In his last illness he bore up and passed away as he had lived—a gallant gentleman."

We wish we had the space to quote Mr. Milne's sympathetic obituary of Judge Ballou.

1883

Rev. James A. Brown writes that his address is Route H, Box 14-H, Indianapolis, Ind.

1885

Olin S. Davis is librarian of Fisk University and his new address is 926 Seventeenth ave., Nashville, Tenn.

1886

George W. Willis, in his younger years a newspaper man on the Brooklyn Eagle and other papers, died suddenly in Columbus, Ga., on Nov. 1. Mr. Willis had been connected with the Southern Bell Telephone Co. for some years previous to his death. He was born in Allegheny City,

now a part of Pittsburgh, Pa., Oct. 5, 1863, the son of Charles Edward and Nancy Geyser Willis. He went into newspaper work after graduation from Brown and for some time the Alumni Office lost trace of him. Then, following a report that he had died in East Moriches, L. I., in July, 1916, it was learned that he was in the South, in the commercial department of the Southern Bell Telephone Co. Mr. Willis, so far as the Alumni Office has been able to learn, was never married. He is survived by a nephew, C. E. Willis, of Pittsburgh, to whom the Office is indebted for information concerning his uncle. Mr. Willis was a member of Beta Theta Pi.

1887

A letter returned to the Alumni Office on Dec. 1 last, gave the information of the death of George R. Pinkham. The Keeper of the Graduate Records has since learned that Mr. Pinkham died Nov. 9, 1923, at his home, 77 Shepard ave., Newark, N. J., from pneumonia. He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Bessie E. Newton, and a brother, Rev. Henry W. Pinkham, of Brookline, Mass. Mr. Pinkham, a successful and beloved teacher since his graduation, was the principal of the Lafayette School, Newark, at the time of his death.

1893

Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn is still crying out against athletics as we know them in the colleges to-day. In a recent lecture at Columbus, O., he is quoted as saying: "I believe in the abolition of the coach and the athletic scout. They make players into automatons. In the perfect college all students will engage in athletics and intercollegiate competition will be extended. . . . One thing we must stop, and that is trying to instruct American youth."

1894

A. E. Thomas was elected to membership in the National Institute of Arts and Letters at the last annual meeting of the institute.

Col. H. Anthony Dyer was one of the speakers at the dinner of the Association of University and College Business Officers of the Eastern States held at the Faculty Club on Dec. 4. Brown was host to some 70 officials, who came from as far as Maine


on the north and Virginia and Pennsylvania on the south; and Col. Dyer gave them one of the finest, most inspiring talks we have ever heard him make. It was a plea for the traditions and for the plain, simple things of life. Our regret was that every undergraduate could not have heard it.

1895

William C. Stratton, formerly with the H. C. Frick Coke Co., Scotsdale, Pa., sends us the pleasing word that he is now chief engineer with the V. S. C. & C. Co., at Gray, McDowell County, Va.

Theron Clark, one time assistant registrar of the University and for several years registrar at Bucknell, has joined the California colony of Brunonians as registrar of

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the University of Southern California. "My very best greeting to all my University friends," he wrote in notifying the Alumni Office of his change. Clark was for some years business manager of the Brown Alumni Monthly.

1896

Carroll H. Ash spoke on "The Development of the Optical Glass Industry in America" before the science section of the New York State Teachers' Association at a recent meeting in Buffalo.

John W. Smith has left Providence and is now receiving his mail, he advises us, at Box 119, Narragansett Pier, R. I.

J. Canfield Van Doren is executive secretary of the American Parish, 324 Pleasant ave., New York. The Parish is a federation of "Presbyterian agencies under the church extension committee of the Presbytery of New York for promoting Christian community life in a polyglot district." Mr. Van Doren's house address is 100 Morningside Drive, New York.

1899

Professor Arthur H. Blanchard, Brown '99, a member of the faculty of the University of Michigan, attended the centennial at Troy as official delegate of the Societe des Ingenieurs Civils de France.

Secretary C. C. Remington of the class recently received the belated news of the death of Dr. Charles B. Allen in Parma, Idaho, on June 21, 1923. Dr. Allen died from pneumonia, following influenza. He began the practice of medicine in 1905, after graduation from Colorado State University with the degree of M. D. He had carried on the practice since that time in Parma. Dr. Allen was married, Feb. 2, 1909, to Gracia M. Tibbetts, who survives him. He was a member of the Idaho State Medical Association and a fellow of the American Medical Association.

1902

Rev. Allen Greene was one of the special guests at the 20th reunion of the choir boys of Grace Church in Providence on Dec. 15. Mr. Greene was at Grace Church as assistant to the rector when the choir was formed and was donor of the first choir vestments. Standish Howland

'19n was chairman of the committee arranging the reunion.

Edward F. Sherlock's father, Captain Edward Sherlock, died in Boston on Dec. 11, 1924. Captain Sherlock, who was 70 years old, was a lieutenant-commander in the World War and was one of the oldest veterans of that conflict. He served on a submarine chaser.

Raymond M. Hood is one of the artists engaged in competing for the design of the business school buildings to be erected at Harvard under the George F. Baker Foundation. Mr. Hood recently received from the Fifth Avenue Association of New York a certificate adjudging the American Radiator Building, designed by him, to be the second best new structure in New York in 1924.

1904

Eliot Scudder, much more favorably known as Cap, comes to Providence frequently now that he is in charge of New England territory for the Stetson Shoe Co.

1905

Leonard Cronkhite has gone on the lecture platform, the little birds whisper, and is filling engagements with business organizations, conventions and banquets. Our hat has for a long time been doffed to Len as a live, witty and quickening after-dinner speaker.

Haywood Butler, so Pat Curry '18 writes from Pittsburgh, is conducting the million-dollar endowment campaign that Bucknell University has under way. Butler has his headquarters in the Union Trust bldg., Pittsburgh.

Basil B. Wood, for several years librarian of the Public Library at Westerly, R. I., is now librarian at Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, Mass. "I like the temper of this institution," said "Chip" (nicknames will cling) in a note to the Alumni Manager. "It has what Brown used to have in our day (and doubtless still has, though I've wondered now and then about its being as strong as ever), namely, real, friendly democracy and intention to get a genuine education."

1907

Douglas Allan has, temporarily at least,

shifted his base to Boston, where he is doing traffic work in the Boston division of the New England T. & T. Co. Interviewed on the subject of removing from Providence, Doug admitted that he hated to, but that he might feel it necessary so to do.

Harry Thurlow was admitted last month to the practice of law in Rhode Island, on motion of Frank L. Hinckley '91, before the State Supreme Court. Harry is already a member of the bar in New York, New Jersey and Virginia.

Dana Gallup was host to Bill Reynolds and the Alumni Manager at the Chamber of Commerce Club in Boston one day last month. Dana is practicing law at 10 State st., Boston. He is also ranking officer (lieutenant-colonel) of the Cavalry unit, Massachusetts National Guard.

Harold (Spec) Paine came down from Leominster, Mass., to see the University eleven defeat Harvard in the Stadium. Spec admitted that business during the

year up Leominster way could have been better, but that he couldn't complain greatly about it.

1908

From Buenos Aires comes a cheerful word from Elmer Bunting, who has been down in that country so long that (we are sure) he can speak Spanish like a native. Any Brown man who goes to Buenos Aires will find Elmer at home at Tucuman 1443.

1909

Among the 1909 men who had an impromptu reunion at the Harvard game were Al Leach, Zeus Paul, Bob Whitmarsh, W. E. Goodwin, John Wells, George Henderson, Billy Buffum and Henry Chafee. They were all somewhat disturbed because Pop Kirley did not appear in his usual place as linesman.

Fred Budlong, elected representative to the Rhode Island General Assembly from the town of Coventry, was all ready to take his seat as this issue of the Monthly was on its way to press.

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1910

James (Chute) Simpson is pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational Church, Schenectady, N. Y., and keeps in touch with Alma Mater through the Brown Club of Albany. He has two children, both girls, whom he is training for the Women's College. He has met, he writes, "some mighty fine Brown men at the General Electric Co." His home address is 6 Linden st., Schenectady.

H. Dane L'Amoureux has changed his allegiance from Yonkers to Peekskill, N. Y., where his address is 1117 Orchard st.

Professor Harold S. Bucklin of the University faculty has recently received from China a copy of the social survey made last year by Chinese in Shanghai College under his direction. An English translation will appear soon. Aside from its practical value, the survey report is of interest because, so far as we know, it is the first social survey made by students ever published in Chinese.

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While others have appeared, they are apparently neither so broad in scope nor so practical, or they were not made by Chinese.

1911

Ernest S. Fitz has deserted Brookline for Watertown, Mass., where he is living at 57 Hall ave. He is with Stone & Webster at 147 Milk st., Boston.

N. B.—That perfectly good 1911 class pipe (except that the stem is slightly worn) still reposes in a drawer of the Alumni Manager's desk, Alumni Office, John Hay Library. Who owns it, anyway?

Robert Cushman Murphy attended the Pan American Scientific Congress held at Lima, Peru, in November as representative of the American Museum of Natural History, the American Academy and the Explorer's Club. His new book, "Bird Islands of Peru," published by G. P. Putnam's Sons, is well worth reading.

1912

Wyman Pendleton has joined the selling staff of Richardson and Clark, dealers in high-grade stocks and investment bonds, in Providence.

1913

Report has it that Arthur Allen has deserted Pittsburgh to become auditor and office manager for the Roto Co., Hartford, Conn.

1915

Anybody heard from Joe Miller lately? The Alumni Office has been on his trail because mail sent to him in Mexico City, Mex., came back with a lot of Spanish added thereto that not even the office cat could translate. If Joe persists in living outside the United States why doesn't he try France, as French is much easier than Spanish to guess at accurately.

1918

A. E. Dillingham, in a note to the Alumni Office, prints his address out in full, just like this: 1297 Westlake ave., Cleveland, O.

W. W. Russell, instructor in the department of chemistry at the University, sailed from New York on Nov. 29 for Austria, where he is at present investigating certain applications of chemistry in manufacturing

processes for the Sayles Finishing Plants of Pawtucket. While Mr. Russell is absent his place on the teaching staff is being taken by Charles M. Perry '91, a member of the visiting committee on chemistry.

Coe Lanpher is with the Larchar-Horton Co., advertising, 164 Federal st., Boston, but Coe tells us that his home address is The Minden, 123 Waterman st., Providence. He can't get away entirely from the old town, you see.

1919

Henry T. Samson was elected Commander of Providence Post, No. 1, American Legion, at the annual meeting of the post held last month. Sammy has been active in Legion affairs during last year, although he continues to find time to do his regular work as an editorial writer for the Providence Evening Bulletin.

1920

Donald Curtis tells us that he is in the envelope manufacturing business at 7 Pine st., New York, N. Y., and that, like Mayor Hylan, he lives in Brooklyn, at 629 Westminster Road.

1921

Wayne Faunce, instructor in engineering at the University, spoke before the Men's Club of the Free Evangelical Congregational Church, Providence, on Dec. 15 on "What the Engineering Division at Brown is Doing for Industrial Rhode Island."

Granville Affleck writes that his address is now 28 Caryl ave., Yonkers, N. Y., where he and Mrs. Affleck have set up housekeeping. Affleck is a commuter, his business being in New York with the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

1922

Harold Tracy has joined the Brunonians in Washington, where he is an agent of the Department of State, Passport Division.

Larry Whitcomb was an Alumni Office caller not long ago. Larry admits that he keeps young simply by running down to Providence occasionally from Boston and surveying the old scene. There are others who might profit from this admission.

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Arthur Miller, who is learning all about the sugar business in Texas City, Tex., was in Providence last month on a vacation. Art was looking fine and feeling chipper, what with his appendix a memory.

1923

Bill Bromage is with the Bradstreet agency in Providence, on the selling end of the game. What's more interesting.

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Phil Stanley, who left Brown to enter Penn State, where he received the degree of A. B. in 1923, is doing graduate work at Harvard this year.

Mian Gulian was a campus caller late in November while he was in Providence playing right tackle for the Frankford Yellow Jackets professional football eleven. "Mike" looked thinner than usual, but his smile was working as of yore.

1924

Joe Nutter has put journalism behind him for the time being, anyway, and according to latest reports is selling insurance in the well-known city of Omaha, Neb.

Al Parsons is in the New York office of the Ipswich Hosiery Co., and is living at the Theta Delta Chi Club, 50 W. 52nd st. Al continues to insist that no sport can quite compare with swimming.

Jim Barrett is coaching basketball and otherwise making himself useful around St. George's School, Newport. Jim and Bill Kneeland '23 make a fine Brown pair on the school faculty.

Gordon Bigelow is educational director of the Judson Memorial Church in New York and is also taking several courses at Union Theological Seminary. His brother Bruce (and what a time we have telling the boys apart) is an assistant in history at the University. Bruce hopes to be able to scare up enough cash to do some work at Harvard next year.

Denison Greene's present occupation (according to his own statement) reads: "Paint Manufacturing." But we learn by investigation that it's house, not feminine facial paint, and we are relieved. Dennie's firm, if you want to know, is the Oliver Johnson Co., Custom House st., Providence.

Charlie Stedman confesses that he's working like a trooper, trying to get the hang of the banking business with the Industrial Trust Co., Providence. Mark Flather is with the same company and Mark's right on the job, also.

## Alumnae

1895

Bertha A. Bissell (Mrs. Horace G.) has moved from 181 Irving ave., to 438 Wayland ave., Providence.

1907

Two very interesting events have happened recently in the life of Amey Eaton Watson (Mrs. Frank D.). In June, 1924, she received the degree of Ph. D. from Bryn Mawr College, her thesis being in the field of Child Welfare and part of a report of the Federal Children's Bureau. On October 17, 1924, a fourth son, Peter Dekker Watson, was born to her. Her address is 5 College st., Haverford, Pa.

1918

Dorothy Beals Brown (Mrs. Morris H.) has moved to Denver, Col. Her address is 1221 Sherman st.

Lillian Dow Botsford (Mrs. J. B.) held a tea and sale at her home, 198 University ave., at which the sum of fifty dollars was raised for the Social Hall Fund.

1920

Marie Goulet is the Executive Secretary of the Yonkers' Tuberculosis and Health Association. Her address is 10 Halcyon place, Yonkers, N. Y.

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## ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Mae E. Lyons of Providence has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Evelyn Kathryn Lyons, to John F. Spellman '24. Spellman was captain of the football eleven in 1923 and a member of the American Olympic team last summer. He won the heavyweight wrestling championship at the bouts held in Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rickenbacher of Newark, N. J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Dorothy Rickenbacher, Women's College '22, to James B. Hawley, Dartmouth 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren O. Evans of Providence have announced the engagement of their daughter to Donald C. Bowersock '20n.

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Mr. and Mrs. William H. Thornley of Providence have announced the engagement of their niece, Miss Katharine Mer-

rill, to William B. McCormick '23. Mr. Thornley is a member of the class of 1897.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Dorothy Alice Russell, Simmons College '22, of Grasmere, N. H., to Herbert L. Hambleton '21 of Methuen, Mass. Hambleton has been with the U. S. Bobbin & Shuttle Co. of Lawrence, Mass., since the fall of 1921, and is now assistant superintendent.

Walter A. Williamson has announced the engagement of his daughter, Miss Mary Immke Williamson, to Arthur Blair Moody '22. Miss Williamson has made her home in Providence with her aunt, Mrs. George F. Rooke. Moody is on the news staff of the Detroit News.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ruiter have announced the marriage of their daughter, Marion Alida, to John E. Hinckley '11. The ceremony took place in Toledo, Ohio, on Dec. 1, 1924.

Miss Margaret Schmid Labbe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Labbe of Providence, and Herbert M. Hofford '23 were married in St. Mary's Church, Providence, on Nov. 28, 1924. Hofford is a member of the city staff of the Evening Bulletin.

Miss Louise Flemming Tracy, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Tracy of Central Falls, R. I., and Preston F. Arnold '13 were married at the home of the bride's mother on Nov. 8, 1924. Following a wedding trip to Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold are now at home at 122 Tenth st., Providence.

The marriage of Miss Dorothea Barbara Gorton, daughter of Mrs. Frederick H. Gorton, and Wayland W. Rice '17, took place in St. Martin's Church, Providence, on Nov. 8, 1924. Wilbur L. Rice '18 was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Rice spent their honeymoon in Jamaica.

## BIRTHS

1909—To Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Budlong of Anthony, R. I., a son, on Dec. 5, 1924.

1918—To Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Slade, a daughter, Jane, on Nov. 30, 1924.



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